

4 PAWS Annual Treasure Sale

4 PAWS animal adoption agency is hosting the Annual Treasure Sale at the **Classic Event Center, 4954 Hwy 377 South (same address as last year).** The dates for dropping off donation items are **May 9 and 10, from 10:00am - 5:00pm.** For large appliances or furniture, please call 817-249-0459 or 817-249-3770 to arrange pick-up. As always, 4 PAWS does not accept clothing, electronics, TVs or computers.

Due to increased costs to rent the facility, 4 PAWS regrets the need to implement a nominal admission fee for the sale. In return, shoppers will enjoy a large, indoor, air-conditioned location to browse and shop, while continuing to support the mission of 4 PAWS.

All proceeds from the Treasure Sale go for veterinary care and adoption of homeless animals at the Benbrook Animal Shelter.



The **Preview Sale** is **Friday, May 10, from 1:00pm - 5:00pm.**Admission is \$5 per person age 18 and over.

The **Treasure Sale** is **Saturday, May 11, from 8:00am - 2:00pm.** Admission is \$1 per person age 18 and over.

At the Treasure Sale, don't miss: 1:00pm - A special Grab Bag sale 1:30pm - Furniture Auction

In November 2012, Benbrook City Council recognized the loving dedication of 4PAWS organization by awarding a proclamation in celebration of their 2,000th adoption (above). "Mindy", the first pet adopted through 4PAWS, and "Izzy", the 2,000th pet adopted (both dachshunds), joined in the celebration.

Thank you for supporting the cause!

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Benbrook Girls Scouts Seek Help with Community Project



Sarah Guenther, Sarah Lindsay, and Megan Metcalf, members of Girl Scout Troop 2507, are dedicating their summer to improving the Benbrook Cemetery, as part of a community Gold Award project. The girls were inspired to take on the project

when they discovered that identifying burial plots at the cemetery was cumbersome. Gold Award projects are intended to meet a need within the community, and all planning, coordination, and fundraising ideas must be initiated and managed by the Scouts.



With some research, and help from the Lions Club of Eudora, Kansas, the girls proposed building a cemetery directory kiosk and markers that will lead visitors to grave sites quickly.

The City of Benbrook approved the design and location, and is working closely with the Scouts to assist with the project. The construction of the kiosk will take place in summer 2013, with volunteer assistance.

The Benbrook Cemetery Directory Fund has been set-up to accept donations to cover the cost of materials. To make a monetary donation for the project, contact Cathy Morris at 817-249-6008 or cmorris@benbrook-tx.gov. To make a donation of material or supplies, please contact Felicia Lindsay at 817-249-8831.

'TEEN ZONE' PLANNED AT BENBROOK PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Benbrook Public Library is gearing up for a new renovation project. Recognizing the unique needs of teens, and consulting with the newly-established six-member Teen Advisory Board, the Benbrook Public Library Board is committed to a project that will rearrange the layout of the library to better suit patrons of all age groups, with special emphasis on creating a separate 'Teen Zone'.

The current teen area will be enclosed with solid glass walls, and will feature additional computers, a large-screen television with gaming console, and new furniture. In the renovated space, teens will be provided tools to create special projects such as music, art, and photography, and will have the opportunity to showcase their work in new display cases. Young patrons will also be able to read and browse items of personal interest, complete homework assignments, and browse the internet.

The children's area will also receive enhancements that make the computers more child-friendly and conducive to their continued development.

The library's magazine collection will be relocated to the garden reading area in upright rotating displays.

The project should be completed prior to the summer break, and further enhancements will be on-going.

BENBROOK PUBLIC LIBRARY

1065 Mercedes Street • 817-249-6632

Library Hours:

Sunday: Closed

Mon-Thurs: 10:00am-7:00pm Fri-Sat: 10:00am-5:00pm

www.benbrooklibrary.org



Relay for Life in Benbrook

Relay For Life Benbrook 2013 is a fun-filled overnight campout designed to celebrate cancer survivorship and raise money for cancer research and programs of the American Cancer Society (ACS). The event takes place beginning at 7:00pm on Friday, April 26th until 7:00am on Saturday, April 27th.

Teams gather at Dutch Branch Park and take turns walking or running laps. Each team tries to keep at least one team member on the track at all times to raise money and awareness in support of the American Cancer Society's lifelong mission. Relay For Life represents the hope that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be supported, and that one day.

cancer will be eliminated.

Everyone is invited to come out, enjoy fun activities, and support the teams. A Children's Area, games of chance, raffle drawings, and food will be available for a donation to the American Cancer Society.

For more information, visit www.cancer.org. For those wishing to join the City of Benbrook team, go to www.relayforlife.org/benbrooktx or contact Stephanie Stevens at sstevens@benbrook-tx.gov or 817-249-3000 x 6101.





Senior Center Hosts Garage Sale

The Benbrook Senior Citizens Center, 1010 Mercedes, is holding their annual Garage Sale on **Thursday and Friday, May 16 and 17, from 8:00am until 3:00pm each day.** Donated items are always appreciated. All proceeds benefit activities, programs, and projects of the Center.

For details call 817-249-6300.

BENBROOK COMMUNITY CENTER/YMCA HOSTS HEALTHY KIDS DAY

The Benbrook Community Center/YMCA, 1899 Winscott Road, will host **Healthy Kids Day on Saturday, April 27th from 10am - 1pm**. This event is free to the public and there will be a joining fee special for those who join that day.

The event will offer healthy snacks, sports and games for families, arts and crafts, community vendors, swim lesson evaluations, early registration for all summer programs including day camp, sports and specialty camps, and more.

Also, in the month of April and May, the Benbrook Community Center /YMCA will register patrons for summer basketball, volleyball, swim lessons, and swim team. **Did you know the Benbrook Y offers Club Volleyball for ages 12-16 for those who are interested in a more competitive league?** Come check out this and other exciting new programs. Benbrook Community Center/ YMCA

817-249-0500

Hours of Operation:

Mon-Thur: 5:00am - 10:00pm Fri: 5:00am - 9:00pm Sat: 8:00am - 6:00pm

Sun: 1:00pm - 5:00pm



www.benbrookcommunitycenterymcafw.org



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Benbrook City Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at City Hall 911 Winscott Road.

For more information call **817-249-3000** or visit **www.benbrook-tx.gov**

BACC HOSTS HOME-BASED BUSINESS EXPO



The Benbrook Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC) is committed to its mission to support local businesses and entrepreneurship. In that spirit, the BACC is hosting their first **Home-Based Business Expo on Saturday, April 20, from 10:00am until 4:00pm.** The Expo will be held at the **Benbrook United Methodist Church Gymnasium, 1122 Bryant Street in Benbrook.**

Guests will have an opportunity to meet with local home-based business owners, learn more about this growing field, and purchase unique items. Admission is free; food concessions will be available. **For more information, contact BACC at 817-249-4451.**